#### NORTH RICHMOND MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

515 Silver Avenue – North Richmond, CA 94801

#### NRMAC RECAP 2016

#### **JANUARY 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier/Project Director, Northern California Asthma Project/Breathmobile: Mary presents 2015 end of year report. Seventeen schools were served last year. There were four hundred and fifty visits to the mobile van. All statistics showed a decrease in emergency department visits, hospital admits, and school absences.

In NR they served (3) schools and (115) visits. School absences went from 32% to 16% after visiting the van. There were 56% female and 44% male participants. The average age of the clients was seven years old. Incentives were given out; all children received a \$5 Target card for each visit. Free flu vaccines were given to twenty four people. Economic development, Jalin, Rebecca, Leslie Houng were hired. Cynthia Jordan received stipends for an intern position/community relations for the 94801 zip code area.

For 2016 there will be an increase of interns for Richmond and Oakland. Helms Middle School will be added on as a mobile van site. This year there will be an earlier start on flu vaccines. The asthma project also partners with the CCC Medical Reserve Corps.

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

Mark Howe and Shana Bagley/DISCUSS and make RECOMMENDATIONS regarding MSH Properties proposed development at 2200 Central Street, Richmond ,CA: In November 2015 Mr. Howe purchased the 2200 Central Street property. The property consists of 5.81 acres. The property has two structures, and they plan on re-modeling and re-building the structures. The project is planned for light industrial. They make their presentation tonight, in hopes that the NRMAC is in approval of their plans. The NRMAC sees no negatives toward the plan. There is no throwback to the proposed plan.

# OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

Robert Rogers/Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert reports that the Hoodie/Book Drive, hosted at Verde Elm School, was a great success. Over 320 hoodies were distributed. There was a surplus of books left over. These books will be donated to Project Pride. As an extra surprise, the Steam Fitters Union donated toys. The installation of electrical outlets at the medium, located on Fred Jackson Way, is close to becoming a reality. Eleanor Thompson of Social Inc. has been working on this project for five years. With the help of Robert Rogers and Supervisor's John Gioia's Office the project should be completed soon.

## **JANUARY 2016 CONTINUED**

<u>Carla Orozco/NHNR-Mitigation Fee Funded</u>: A planning committee was organized for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual NR Green Festival/Earth Day Celebration. Five community workers/ECO Captains, ECO Cadets or ECO Ambassadors lead an economic workshop. The community workers taught 35 youths, known as ECO Scouts about community gardens and their relationship to community health and illegal dumping prevention.

Thursday, January 7, 2016, (38) resident volunteers worked together to build a pathway and to spread mulch in the native plants garden at NHNR Multicultural Senior and Family Service Center community garden.

An application was submitted by NHNR for the "Love Your Block Grant." NHNR submitted an application for a community based "On-Cleanup and Outreach Program." In the proposal eight partners and two potential sub-contractors were included to participate in the program.

<u>Tannia Pulido and Louis Chavez/Urban Tilth Garden Project:</u> Tania is no longer the community engagement person for the farm. She will be working on the garden project at the end of First Street. Louis reports that he is a co-worker and farm-head at Verde School. He works with Ms. Meza at the site. He also has been working at the proposed Urban Tilth Farm. He said, in the past soil test were taken at the farm, recently a second test is being conducted.

<u>Guadalupe Morales/Love Your Block:</u> A survey was sent out pertaining to the Love Your Block Program, they will use the results in their planning of future projects.

They are working on a video for the tool Lending Bank, and will be in partnership with City of Richmond Public Library, and will lend out tools based on the library's book lending system.

<u>Annie King-Meredith/NRMAC History Committee:</u> Annie states that they will be doing a documentary about their progress in Richmond. In February the history committee will start meeting and developing plans.

<u>Bishop Edwina/REACH Fellowship:</u> REACH has moved to the Las Deltas Housing Projects. Address is 50 W. Silver Street. They will be developing a café at the site, similar to the Delancy Street Project. They will be doing POD-Cast Broadcast, which will eventually float on to a local radio station.

#### **FEBRUARY 2016**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier/Northern CA Asthma-Breathmobile Program: Mary reports that the project is in progress as usual. They have established a better connection with CC College. Thus allowing more interns to work in the program, and help interns to obtain employment. This allows more medical help for the community and opportunity for people from the community to work in the asthma program.

<u>Princess Robinson/Urban Tilth Garden Project:</u> Announcement that the Basins of Relations are having fun planting, cleaning and restoring Wildcat Creek Plants. Urban Tilt is in the process of looking for an organization to partner with them.

## PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation HONORING LIFETIME SERVICE OF Catherine Stephenson Crane: NRMAC gave an award to Catherine Stephenson Crane, age (83); the award was for lifetime community service. Mrs. Crane was overcome with emotion. She stated that she love what she is doing, I've been very sick at times, but never stopped what I do in my community. Mrs. Crane gets up early every morning, and sweeps the streets and cleans the curbs in the neighborhood, located near her resident. The language of the proclamation, signed by Supervisor Gioia and NRMAC President (Don Gilmore), tells more of her story.

Bishop Santiago/PRESENTATION from REACH Fellowship on new community kitchen: REACH Fellowship presents a presentation on the opening of Four J's Restaurant. Each month a percentage (50%) of the proceeds, will go to a community based organization. With proceeds derived from the eatery, REACH presented Corrine Sain/Director Multicultural Senior Citizen Program, a \$100 check for community services.

<u>John Steere/CCC Watershed, PRESENTATION regarding Green Team Project and Cleaning Outreach</u>: Thirty five students were trained to work in the project in early January. Plants were planted at the Project Pride Site in NR, and at Creekside habitats. The program received three proposals to hire community people to do outreach and cleanup. All three proposals are good, the CBO's applicants that submitted RFP's were: NHNR, Watershed Project and REACH Fellowship. The goal is to identify other funds for the purpose of broadening the program.

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

<u>DISCUSS</u> and make RECOMMENDATION regarding a 2016 retreat for NRMAC members: Andrea Bailey has offered the Chevron Refinery Site for the retreat.

The workshop will be geared toward more fruitful items of interest and helpfulness. Members need to see exactly how they are operating. They need to be aware of issues that are coming up in the community, and there is a need to be more direct. People are welcome to e-mail their comments, pertaining to the workshop.

Supervisor Gioia wants skill building and wants to talk to everyone as a group. Rogers says that we have a good budget; he thinks that we could do quite a bit with that budget. The workshop offers the opportunity to develop a good professional working plan.

Rogers moved to direct the board to set a date. It was motioned and second, and approved. One action item: NRMAC voted 4-0 (Tate, Gilmore, King-Meredith, Scott) directing staff to begin planning retreat for a date in April. NRMAC specifies member skill building, public speaking, staff reports on issues in NR, strategy development and time with Supervisor Gioia as priorities for retreat. Members Morgan, Clark and Bailey were not present.

# OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

Robert Rogers, Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert echoes on John Steer's report. He states that John is doing a good job. He admires the work that they are doing. The short term work and the long term work.

Robert reports that the sunset Market, located at 5<sup>th</sup> and Chesley Ave., is an ongoing issue. Everyone is familiar with the issues, and problems that have occurred at that establishment. The City of Richmond has developed a (RFPF) for a contractor to look into the problems at the store. Supervisor John Gioia is putting this item on the Supervisor's Agenda, asking for the board to pick up (40%) of the cost of the study. The study is a go, but it is not official yet.

Street cameras are located at the end of Castro Street, the end of Grove Avenue and Battery and Alamo Streets. These cameras are functional and up and running.

The huge dumping problem at Silver and Giarameta Streets has been resolved.

# ORTHER AGENCY/PROGRAMS REPORTS CONTINUED

<u>Don Gilmore, Director, CHDC:</u> Don announces that the Cap and Trade application was released last Friday. He will be submitting an application for the proposed development of projects located on Chesley Ave. and Fred Jackson Way, and housing units located on Fred Jackson Way. The Income Tax Preparation Program is being offered at CHDC. Workshops are being offered for first time Homebuyers. The Home Foreclosure Workshops are being offered.

<u>Carla Orozco-Mitigation Fee-funded NHNR:</u> Carla reports that the NR Green Festival/Earth Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2016. Green banners are falling off of the street light poles in NR. The company that installed them has been notified. The company plans to remove the banners by Friday, February 12, 2016, free of charge. It is suggested that new banners with new designs are needed. A look that reflects the community and what it is composed of. Discussion was taken into consideration and Carla will relay the information to the mitigation fee funded program.

Boys and girls ages (4-14) who register to participate in this year's – NR Green Little League Program can participate in ECO workshops throughout the season. Rev. Mitchell, of NR Missionary Baptist church is open to the idea of residents conducting drought resistant planting project of succulent plants, in the planter boxes, located in front of the church. After planting the church members pledge to maintain the plants.

NHNR was one of the organizations selected to receive a \$1000 "Love Your block Grant". NHNR submitted an application for a Community Based "Neighborhood Community Garden Project". They plan to hire seven community workers to maintain the Native Plant Community Garden, located at the Senior Center, 515 Silver Street, NR/CA.

Rochelle Monk/City of Richmond Love Your block: The final list of grantees are as follows: Carla Orozco-Earth Day Event, Marena Brown/Annie King-Meredith-Community and Denise Carey-Lucky A's Baseball Field.

<u>Annie King-Meredith/NRMAC History committee:</u> Meeting was held pertaining to the Historical Museum. They discussed brain storming, landmarks being erected throughout the community.

<u>Beverly Scott/NRMAC board member:</u> NRMAC requested that potential change of meeting day be on the next agenda to facilitate better attendance.

#### **MARCH 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

<u>Bishop Edwina Santiago/REACH Fellowship:</u> Bishop announces that she will be leaving the Richmond area, to pursue her career in other counties. Her assistant Belinda will be in charge of the Richmond CA project. Board member Maria will be working with Belinda. Bishop's new work will be focused in the Silicon Valley. There will be a REACH Fellowship office located in Berkeley. Bishop will be traveling to Boston and Philadelphia.

<u>Cynthia Jordan/Intern, Northern California Asthma Breathmobile Van:</u> Reporting that the asthma van continues to service the Verde School location in the community. Attendance is up, and service is being provided on a continuous basis.

E.J. Shalaby/General Manager of West County Waste Water District on local sewer line work: Work has been completed on the local sewer line located on Market Street in NR. During the work on the project, transportation was provided to residents to local transportation connections.

## **PRESENTATIONS and Proclamations**

<u>Jeff Winter and Leonard Mc Neil/Director West County Waste Water District:</u> Mr. Winter and Mr. McNeil announce the November election for board of directors WCWWD. In November the district will have three seats on its board of directors to be filled.

Monish Sen of CCC Public Works regarding traffic safety in North Richmond: Mr. Sen explains criteria for speed control, and solicits feedback on problem intersections.

Mr. Sen and members of his department have investigated the request for stop sign at York and Alamo Streets. Magnetic counters were installed in the ground and speeds were recorded at 15-20 mph. Research was done on previous incidents at the intersection. It was determined that is not necessary to install and additional stop sign at the intersection.

Residents asked Mr. Sen to look into the traffic problems at: First and York, First and Market And Fred Jackson Way. Mr. Sen stated that it is possible to bring a radar speed detector/traffic counter to the community.

#### PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS CONTINUED

David Gray of Richmond Mayor Tom Butt's Office on potential North Richmond annexation: Mr. Gray reports on release of RFP, and to solicit feedback. A packet entitled: City of Richmond/Request for Proposals/Service Plan and Fiscal Analysis for the Proposed annexation of Unincorporated North Richmond to the City of Richmond. Right now it is in the exploratory process, a study is being conducted. Mr. Gray reports that the City of Richmond is paying for part of the study, and there is a request in that supervisor John Gioia request of the board of supervisors to pay for part of the study.

# **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**

<u>Eli Goldman/DISCUSS and make RECOMMENDATION regarding development project at 2206 Central Street:</u> Sunborn Nursery/Goldman Enterprises, wholesale nursery distribution will be moving from San Francisco to this location. This company distributes plants to interior and exterior companies.

They will employ 30+ people. The proposed company would consist of 72,000 sq. feet. On the site would be open green houses, a single gamily house, to be used as a care takers quarters and (71) parking spaces. The company will be using two box trucks to transport the plants. Utilities will need to be upgraded for the business.

There is a motion to make a recommendation that the NRMAC support 2206 Central Street. They will have 50% local hire. The company is to work with NRMAC, to find out how they can participate in giving back to the community. NRMAC approved the project 4-0, with Goldman's pledge that he will stress local hiring and look for ways to partner with and support CBO's.

<u>DISCUSS</u> and make RECOMMENDATION regarding potential time change for NRMAC meetings: Board member Beverly Scott motion to move NRMAC meetings from the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  Thursday of the month to the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  Tuesday of the month.

After discussion, NRMAC votes 4-0 to change date of monthly meeting from first Thursday of the month to the first Tuesday of the month, effective April 2016.

# OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

Robert Rogers, Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Volunteers are needed for clean-up at the Urban Tilth Farm, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month. There is a new ballot measure, it's a city measure entitled: Youth Service Measure. It proposes that 3% of city taxes must be used on youth and youth funding. There is a Measure AA; it proposes a tax fee of \$12.00 per year on parcels in all Bay Area counties. Supervisor's has passed the creation of a Racial Justice Task Force. Forty percent to chip in with the study for North Richmond Annexation.

There are new street lights on Fred Jackson Way. Verde Elm School Black History Week was a wonderful event.

<u>Don Gilmore, Director, CHDC:</u> Don reports that the corporation continues to offer free income preparation until April 15<sup>th</sup>. Heritage Point project is getting ready to present application for seven million, to the state on the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month. Hopefully in April they will be able to submit a full application. The building on Fred Jackson Way and Chesley Avenue was demolished. the plans for that block are a project consisting of (42) units of housing, grocery and small retail. A portion of Livable Community funding was given to NR. They are still fighting with Cap and Trade.

<u>Carla Orozco-Mitigation Fee funded/NHNR:</u> A committee is organizing a clean-up of the Wildcat Creek and Verde Elm School garden projects. NR Green Team Project community Program resident workers will attend an ECO filed trip to the UC Berkeley Botanical Gardens.

NHNR was one of the three finalists that participated in an interview for the county's On-Cleanup and Outreach Program. This program will be funded for three years.

<u>Luis Chavez/Urban Tilth Garden:</u> Verde School Garden was cut by \$10,000 in funding. Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month is volunteer day at the farm.

<u>Kiana Ward/Love Your Block:</u> Kiana reports that the grantees were chosen for grants. They met with Carla and Annie. The grants will start at the end of March and the beginning of April

Annie Meredith-King: Announces that the Multicultural Senior citizen Center will be hosting their annual pre-Easter breakfast. The date is 3/19/2016, from 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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#### **APRIL 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier/Director of the Northern CA Breath Mobile Van: Mary announces that the program provides services from North Richmond to San Leandro. In West County they continue to serve Verde, Lake and Grant schools. They will be adding Helms Middle School in the future.

Mary is part of the Medical Reserve Team. This team met today and discussed that they will be getting ready for the flu vaccines. The asthma breath mobile will be used to administer flu vaccines. They are working on having the breathmobile to participate in any disaster that may occur in the area. Mary states that they are reaching out in an extra effort to bring services to the communities that they service.

## PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS

EJ Shalaby, General Manager of West County Wastewater District/update on completion of Market Avenue Sewer Line Project: Mr. Shalaby reports that the Market Street sewer upgrade is completed. Two thousand feet of new pipe was installed. The old outdated 15 inch piping was replaced with 2000 feet of 24 inch new piping. Ten new manholes were installed, 33 laterals were connected and all new paint was done on the road makings.

The project was completed on time, costing \$800k. Three local hires from NR were on the work crew. Other future projects are located at: 4<sup>th</sup>, 5th and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets. These projects will not go out for bid until early to mid-2017.

Zachary Mallet, BART, Better BART, Better Bay Area, plans for current and future projects: Mr. Mallet presented a slice presentation on A Better BART, Better Bay Area. He states that capital needs are huge, unfunded. BART serves 450k passengers per day, up from 40k in 1972. Big 3 projects: train modernization (control system, allows more trains closer together), more rail cars, Hayward maintenance complex for storage and repair. Urges support of \$3 billion BART bond on November ballot. Says BART improves value and living in Bay Area, fares only cover 76 percent of cost.

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# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AN/OR ACTION

RECOMMENDATION regarding NRMAC letter urging action on Sunset Market at Chesley Avenue and Fifth Street: Robert delivered a report on Sunset Market, tracing genesis of action. NRMAC and public receptive, skeptical of market's future.

Mr. Rogers states that he has received several complaints pertaining to the market. Recently the director of the museum of the City of Richmond visited the store and encountered an unpleasant incident. Environmental Health was contacted by Supervisor John Gioia. Upon inspecting the store they found vermin feces and drug activity. The store was ordered closed and a fine was leveled upon the store. Public Health and Code Enforcement is being asked of the store proprietors. NRMAC is being asked to sign a letter in support of closing the store. In conclusion the store management is being asked to comply with the health and Public Safety code. The CCC Sheriff's Department to work in compliance. Mitigating un-safe conditions at Sunset Market. Dr. Clark moved to support a letter from Supervisor John Gioia. Annie King second, all was in favor.

Robert reports on the annexation of North Richmond. He said that five companies have put in proposals to do the study on the North Richmond Annexation. They will be writing a full document. The study will be paid for by the city of Richmond and CCC County. A date is yet to be set. The board will consist of members from the Mayor's Office, City Manager's Office, Supervisor John Gioia Office, members of LAFCO and two members form NRMAC.

Robert reports that the Reading for Kids Program is on-going at the Shield's and Reid Park.

The recent renovation of the park looks great. A meeting was held with the staff of the Urban

Tilth Farm, they are working on the intra-structure of the farm.

<u>Don Gilmore/Director CHDC:</u> Free income tax preparation is being offered until April 15<sup>th</sup>. The old NHNR building was demolished. Funding has been applied for thru Cap and Trade. They will know by the end of the month (of acceptance), if so a full application can be submitted by august. Construction could start by 2017 if accepted. Don notes that a store is in the design as part of the project. Legacy Court was not successful in getting funding from the City of Richmond. The former program Youth Build/presently Healthy Richmond has moved from 1452 Fred Jackson Way. They are currently located, within the City of Richmond.

<u>Carla Orozco/NHNR-Mitigation Fee Funded:</u> The planning committee continues to meet for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual NR Green/Earth Day Festival. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort of the NR Green Team Project is scheduled to begin April 26<sup>th</sup> thru June 30<sup>th</sup>. In partnership with the County Watershed Program. Workers will learn about the importance of clean and healthy watershed. NHNR was one of three applicants selected to help implement the County's "On-Cleanup and Outreach Program." This program will be funded for three years.

Dr. Clark has a problem with Carla using the name Earth Day in her event. He states that Earth Day Events in North Richmond, was started by a local community group that her steer-headed, several years ago. In the future a way should be devised to honor the original event, in conjunction with the events that Carla may plan.

<u>Kiana Ward/Love Your Block Program:</u> A big event will be held on the 31<sup>st</sup>. of this month. They will be hosting a public lunch on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Bienvenida Meza/Verde School Garden Project:</u> Ms. Meza reports that at the garden, free vegetables are available, every last Friday of the month, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. There was an Easter Egg Hunt at the garden this month, more than (160) students attended the event.

<u>Maria Hernandez/Urban Tilth Garden:</u> Maria announces that the garden located at 1<sup>st</sup> and Market Street, have plenty of free plants to give away to the community.

Annie King-Meredith/NR Historical Planning Committee: Annie reports that she has talked to Dr. Clark about planning ideas. Annie has made acquaintance with Taylor Lee, a student at the U.C. Berkeley Campus. He is interesting in doing a documentary on North Richmond.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Board member Annie announces that she has officially resigned from working with the Contra costa County/Social Service Department.

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## **MAY 2016**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier/Director Northern CA Breath Mobile: The staff of the asthma program attended World Asthma Day, at Jack London Square in Oakland today. They were able to provide outreach information and services at the event. Mary thanks Cynthia and Keiko for representing the asthma program at the North Richmond Earth Day Celebration. The asthma van continues to service the children at Verde elm and local schools in the area.

<u>Bishop Edwina Santiago/REACH Fellowship Outreach:</u> Bishop reports that Belinda of their program and surgery and is doing well.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mary Halle and Jon Suemnick/CCC Public Works Department, Area of Benefit Plans: Mary and Jon gave an AOB presentation, describing projects that the county is looking forward to funding in the up-coming years, namely Fred Jackson Way and Chesley Avenue improvements.

They are only able to make plans for the un-incorporated areas of North Richmond. Ms. Halle announces that they did not get funding for sidewalks improvements on Fred Jackson Way.

The following projects are being proposed: construction of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure on Fred Jackson Way, from grove Avenue to Brookside Drive. Staff will consider adding a project to include access to Verde Elementary School from north. A project will be added to the AOB list to implement a truck route. Signs have been installed on Fred Jackson Way and Chesley Avenue, indicating weight limits. Staff will continue to look for a truck route alternative. Traffic calming measures at the intersection Chesley Avenue and Fred Jackson Way will be added to the project list. Traffic calming measures will also be considered along Market Avenue.

Ms. Hale states that Project NR1 on the Project list proposes an additional lane on Richmond Parkway, to reduce congestion on the regional route, which reduces traffic on Fred Jackson Way.

Presentation of NRMAC for career service award to Annie King Meredith: Supervisor Gioia Made a special appearance to help with celebration and proclamation for Annie King Meredith's 50 years of service in the community. Local NR native, Annie was recognized for her service to the community. Annie has worked for the betterment and improvement of this community, ever since she was a teenager. Over the years she has continued to contribute her specialized services. She is especially accredited for her documents on the history of NR.

John Steere, CCC Watershed/Clean and Green Program: Mr. Steere announces in the next three years the program will utilize \$43,000,000 in funding. The program will hire community residents and community based organizations. In North Richmond. They will work at community cleanups and build trash resiliency. The program will focus on trash in the creeks in NR and trash in the streets of NR. NHNR and REACH Fellowship have been chosen to be participants in the program.

Akeele Carter of Chevron on the Local Hire Program: Ms. Carter gives presentation about available jobs and programs for NR residents, thanks to Chevron Modernization Project.

Ms. Carter is the local hire coordinator at the Chevron Refinery. A job training project first local residents is set to take place this summer, for eighteen to twenty four months.

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

<u>Eric Aaholm/DISCUSS and make RECOMMENDATION regarding North Richmond Network</u> recommended endorsement of the Richmond Kids First Initative: <u>Eric announces that this is a measure on the ballot of the up-coming election in the City of Richmond.</u>

The City of Richmond will be establishing a specific fund for youth and family, age zero to twenty-four. Over the course of ten years funding will be building up. At that point about 4.3 million dollars would be available for the program. Taxes in Richmond would not be increased. A portion of the city's general fund would be set aside. This measure would require the city to spend three percent of budget on youth programs. Un-incorporated children in NR would benefit from the program, per Supervisor Gioia's input in crafting it.

<u>Robert Rogers/Deputy Chief, Supervisor John Gioia's Office:</u> Reporting that there will be volunteer community work at the First Street Garden this Saturday, from ten to twelve.

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<u>Carla Orozco-Mitigation Fee-Funded/NHNR:</u> Carla reports that steps have been taken to coordinate the creation of new designs to install new NR Green Banners, on the main street of Fred Jackson Way. A new cost quote had been received by the Left Side Printing company, a Richmond based company, to create the new designs and artwork for the banners.

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual NR Green Festival/Earth Day attracted many community volunteers to clean-up Wildcat Creek. A training was held Monday, May 2, 2016 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort of the NR Green Team Project. Community workers will lead a native planting project at Project Pride Community Center.

## **FUTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NRMAC retreat is set for 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1450 Marina Way South, Richmond.

#### **JUNE 2016**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier, Director/Northern CA Asthma Program/Breathmobile: Mary announces that the program continues to service children in the NR community. The University of CA/SF, recently conducted a study and aired the interview on their television station.

# **PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS**

<u>Jason Chen of CCC Public Works:</u> Mr. Chen announces that they are in the process of changing the street lights in NR. The new lights will be more modern and will utilize the use of low energy sources. The work is scheduled to start within the next two to three weeks.

Roxanne Carrillo of Healthy Richmond: Ms. Carrillo reports that the organization is looking at healthy activities from a social justice point of view stand. Most of their funding comes from healthy Richmond Program. The program supports and partnerships with the YESS Program, they support funding for Heritage Point Project, advocates for Health Care Safety Net and supports Neighborhood Impact Group. LISC is looking to develop in the NR area.

Monish Sen/CCC Public works and Robert Chelemedos/Richmond Public Works on traffic infrastructure: They are taking feedback and concerns regarding streets and traffic. In NR.

Mr. Chelemedos reports on the progress of street paving in NR. Most of the work has been completed, except for Sanford, Leo and Vernon Streets.

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<u>Erin Flores on Community Resiliency:</u> Erin Flores is conducting a survey to enhance community resiliency. She is an intern working in the area. Studying the people in the community. How do they respond to disasters, such as earthquakes and flooding?

<u>Ernesto Arevalo from Communities for a Better Environment:</u> Ernesto representing CBE, a non-profit group located in the bay area, organized around social justice issues. Their goal is to achieve environmental justice, clean energy and healthy communities. Ernesto talked about climate adaptation/resiliency adaptation. There are major concerns about community protection and the impact of heat waves, sea level rising, etc. Most residents are concerned about an evacuation plan.

<u>Dulce Galicia, NR Resident:</u> Dulce has problems on her street, including a yelling neighbor, speeding cars. Mr. Sen of the CCC Public works has been working with her. County Public works has installed some type of speed detectors on First Street, the street that Dulce resides on. It is suggested that Dulce partnership and participate within local community groups for their support, and vice versa. The community could benefit from her representation of the Hispanic community in NR.

<u>Charla Sullivan of EBMUD:</u> Sharla says although the drought has not been declared over, water rates will go down an average of \$4 in July. Residents are to be complimented for such a good job, on reduction of water use, since the water restrictions were enforced. There are rebates available for new low water flow toilets, only for this year.

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

John Troughton, Vice President of Kennedy consultants/discuss and make RECOMMENDATION regrading proposed development at 2601 Goodrick Avenue: Development is proposed by NorCal Perlite Inc. Construction of two industrial buildings, with surrounding parking, detention area, and trailer storage. Planting of generous amount of trees and shrubbery to enhance the aesthetics of the site. When completed, the industrial buildings will become fully operation and provide a number of new jobs to support the economy and prosperity of the NR community.

The NRMAC votes 4-0 to support the proposed development project. Developers agrees with NRMAC to prioritize local hiring in the development and operation, continue to provide NRMAC

Updates and outreach materials for residents, address traffic concerns in partnership with county planning, and are open to supporting local community based organizations.

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**DISCUSS** and make RECOMMENDATION regarding proposed naming of senior center in honor of Corrine Sain: Item on naming of Senior Center after Corrine Sain is tabled indefinitely at Ms. Sain's request.

# **OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS**

Robert Rogers, Deputy Director/Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert reports out of the NR Mitigation fund. It was voted upon to fund \$129,000 to local CBO's. A partial list of recipients is: REACH Fellowship Outreach, NHNR, Love Your block, Urban Tilth Garden, Davis chapel and ECO Captain Program. An amount of \$55,000 was approved for community gardens. The board of supervisor's agreed to provide additional funding to NHNR.

<u>Don Gilmore, Director/CHDC:</u> Don reports that they have submitted the final application for development of the Heritage Point Project. Don says that they should know in September.

<u>Carl Orozco/NHNR-Mitigation Fee-funded:</u> The Mitigation Committee recommended at last week's meeting that the funding consideration to produce and install new banners along the main street of Fred Jackson Way will be postponed until the next funding cycle for the year 2017-18.

There was a training session for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort of the NR Green Team Project. The county Watershed Program trained eight resident ECO workers about "Watershed Awareness & Illegal dumping Prevention."

Friday, June 17, 2016, banquet/awards ceremony at Project Pride community Center at 4:30 p.m... Players and coaches who participated in the NR Green Youth Twilight Basketball League Program will attend, and be acknowledged for their achievements.

<u>City of Richmond/Love Your Block:</u> Love Your block announces Neighbor Works Week, June  $6^{th} - 10^{th}$ , along Chesley Ave. Residents are being asked to come out and help beautify NR.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Community Awareness Day & Shields-Reid Park RE-Opening Celebration, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Everyone was invited to come out and celebrate the re-opening of the park.

#### **JULY 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMENT**

Mary Frazier/Director of the Northern California Asthma/Mobil Van Program: Mary announces that the program has been in contact with the CCC School District. Starting in the fall, asthma services will be provided to Grant Elementary and Helms Jr. High School.

The asthma program will be participating at the Brighter Beginnings Family Health Clinic/Open House & Health Fair. Free immunizations for kids, free food, fun activities, raffles, face paintings, and lots of free giveaways will be provided at the fair. The date is July 29, 2016.

# **PRESENTATIONS and Proclamations**

Melinda McCrary/Richmond Museum of History on events-programs and potential partnerships in NR. Ms. McCrary comes to the NRMAC representing the Richmond Museum, located on 4<sup>th</sup> and Nevin. She was invite to the meeting to discuss a possible partnership with the NR community.

NR is in the process of planning and creating a history museum. It was asked of Melinda, did she think any funding was available for this community, toward a history museum. She stated that Richmond would love to partnership with us. Then she went on to say that it is very unlikely to partnership with us at the present time.

# OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

<u>Robert Rogers/Deputy Director, Supervisor John Gioia's Office:</u> Robert reports that the Fourth of July Parade & Party, sponsored by Social Inc./Eleanor Thompson, was a great success.

NR Missionary Baptist Church will be hosting its annual Block Party on Saturday/August 29<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Carla Orozco-Mitigation Fee-Funded/NHNR:</u> A semi-annual mitigation power point report was developed to highlight the NR Green Team Programs, Project, and Outreach activities that were implemented for the months of February thru June 2016.

One hundred and seventy pounds of trash was removed from Wildcat Creek, with help from

local workers and the county's Watershed Program. Community workers and youth residents attended a field trip to the WC Integrated Waste management Facility. They learned about various trash items that can be recycled and reused. They also learned about hazardous waste.

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<u>Princess Robison-Director/Urban Tilth Farm:</u> Ms. Robinson announces that they just submitted a permit for the intra structure and green house for the farm. A ground breaking ceremony for the farm is scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup>.

There is a contest open for the naming of the farm. The winner will receive a certificate and \$100 prize.

There is a job opening at Urban Tilth entitled (Basins of Relation-Paid Training Program.) This is an Urban Tilth Program to empower young people from the Richmond community to become stewards for their communities and the creeks that run through them.

## **SEPTEMBER 2016**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Frazier/Project Director of the Northern California Asthma/Breath Mobile Van:
The program is serving students from NR to Hayward CA. New grads will be hired from CC Community College. These young people will be coming out of the medical assisting programs at the college. The asthma project is anticipating on helping these young people, to gain employment in their chosen occupational field and to be successful in life.

Linetta Cooper/Las Deltas Housing Resident/Employee-CCC/NR Family Service Center:
The center is offering a program entitled: Building Young Women and Men (BMW). The program is designed for middle and high school student. They will experience a learning environment outside of their classrooms. Students will explore science, technology, mentoring, art, sports, health and wellness. The site will provide homework assistance.

The SIT Office is seeking volunteers to participate in a focus group entitled: Help Us Find Out What Matters to You.

# **PRESENTATIONS and Proclamations**

<u>Presentations were made honoring Lt. D.J. Watts/Jannat Muhammad and DeJeana Burkes:</u>
Presentations were awarded to these outstanding people, for their service and dedication to the NR community. Lt. Watts performed excellent service while at command for the CCC Sheriff's Department. He made major strides in combatting crime in the community.

Jannat Muhammad and DeJeana Burkes were awarded for their dedication of keeping the NR Annual Music Festival alive. A special thank you goes out, to all of the award recipients.

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<u>Laura Zaremba-Schmidt/Advanced Transportation Incentive Strategies Section-CA/in</u>
<u>attendance with CCC Supervisor John Gioia-Environmental Protection Agency-Air Resources</u>
<u>Board:</u> Ms. Zaremba-Schmidt presents to the NRMAC information on mobility and transportation challenges in NR. Supervisor John Gioia is a member of the Air Resource Board, he was appointed by Governor Brown.

Information about improving air quality and public health and clean transportation was presented. How do the EPA-Air Resource Board help the community access these things? It was suggested the Cap and Trade funding must be spent in low-income communities. Clean Transportation Funding is needed, in order to overcome barriers to the funding/access lease/purchase of clean air vehicles. A questionnaire was passed out during the meeting, pertaining to the Senate Bill 359 Clean Transportation Study. Meeting attendees were encouraged to fill out and return the questionnaires.

Bill Kennney/San Pablo, CA Mayor, regarding potential interest of City of San Pablo in annexing NR if City of Richmond does not want to pursue annexation. Mayor Kenny says that the City of Richmond has not made any clear decisions about annexation. They are in the process of a four month long survey. He states that the city of San Pablo needs NR for revenue purposes.

Supervisor Gioia states that (3,500) residents live in the unincorporated side of NR and (1500) residents live in the city side of NR. If annexed the county will continue to provide health services to the community. He said that it is basically up to the residents/opinions. If the community is combined, municipal services could be more effective.

Dr. Henry Clark and many of the residents are definitely opposed to the annexation of NR.

Flynn Bradley, director Employment/SF Airport-job opportunities at SFO Airport:

Mr. Bradley presents information about job opportunities at the airport. SFO has jobs such as airlines, both passenger and cargo activities, air terminal operation, including security, building maintenance, facility management, construction also included, public agencies, customs, agriculture, fish and wildlife, drug enforcement agency as well as airport administration, (including police and fire departments), airline support services, freight services, concessions and ground transportation.

He stated as you can see, there is a large array of job opportunities and he encourages the residents of NR to take advantage of these great working opportunities. Unfortunately a local hire program for NR is not available. There are other local cities that are involved in their local hire programs.

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Richard Tang/Mobilitte, LLC, discusses and makes recommendation regarding Mobilite LLC application to install cell site on existing utility pole. The company has applied for a special application thru CCC County. Proposing to attach equipment to two existing utility poles and one light standard pole, currently located on Fred Jackson Way and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

The items that are to be attached are: (1) AC distribution panel, (1) remote radio head, (1) UE relay, (1) GPS antenna, (1) omni-directional antenna, (1) Merter Pedestal and (1) nema-4z disconnect switch.

After hearing the presentation the following decisions were made: (1) Motion was made by Dr. Clark to review and look into the possible health issues that the installation of these items may cause to the community residents. (2) Annie motioned to have an open discussion about the project. She stated that it is reasonable and feasible that these installations can be located outside of the residential community. LaSaunda recommended that they meet with Supervisor Gioia to discuss the relocation of the current cell towers from their current locations. All of the above motions were taken into consideration, first, second and passed.

# OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

Robert Rogers, Deputy Director – Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert announces a benefit, presentation of the documentary, North Richmond Part Four, Past, Present and Future, by locally acclaimed film producer Doug Harris.

The benefit is in honor of NHNR, in order to raise badly needed funds for the CBO. The benefit will be hosted on September 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Rialto Theater, El Cerrito, CA.

<u>Don Gilmore, Director/CHDC:</u> Don announces that they are currently waiting to see if they get funded by the Cap and Trade, for existing projects that are currently on hold, pending funding. They will know by next month hopefully.

<u>Janie Holland/CHDC:</u> Janie has vouchers for free trash disposal of bulky item pickup. The vouchers are available to NR residents that live in the NR Mitigation Area. Participants must provide required proof of residency.

<u>Christopher Withmore/Community Engagement Person – City of Richmond Mayor's Office:</u>
The City of Richmond's Mayor will be hosting, "Time with Mayor Tom Butt on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

A quarterly Business Round Table on October 28<sup>th</sup>. The location will be at the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts. The mayor is hosting a community golf tournament on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

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<u>Carla Orozco – Mirtigation Fee-funded/NHNR:</u> NHNR in partnership with Earth Team, will be leading a clean-up of the Wildcat Creek in NR for Coastal Clean-up Day. Players and families from the NR Green Little League Program were invited by Chevron to attend aa Oakland A; s game. The NR ECO Academy community program collected 122 pounds of litter and trash, between the Richmond Parkway and Fred Jackson Way.

NHNR is finalizing a service plan with CHDC and CCC for a mitigation funded Neighborhood community Garden Project. The garden will be implemented in the upcoming 2016-17 fiscal year.

<u>Princess Robison, Director/Urban Tilth – Farm Update:</u> Princess announces that the farm will be hosting a ground breaking ceremony on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Rochell Monk/Love Your Block:</u> Representatives of the program announces the opening of the Richmond Tool Lending Library. A large variety of essential household tools are available for the community to rent and return.

Coastal Cleanups are being conducted all throughout the Bay Area, Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **OCTOBER 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

<u>Linetta Cooper/NR Resident:</u> Linetta has an on-going problem, in her neighborhood. She resides at the Las Deltas Projects, on Market Street. Last month she presented a complaint about the loud music and ill-legal activities adjacent to her house. This month the activity reached a higher level, her son's car was vandalized by gun shots, while parked in her driveway. She states that she has reported the incident, and has reported previous incidents, to local law officials and the CCC Housing Authority representatives. She has not received adequate response from either agency.

Lt. England of the CCC Sheriff's Department, assures Ms. Cooper, that the department and its officers are working on resolving this nuisance in the community.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

<u>C. Thomas Bridge Anderson of Bay Area Legal Aid:</u> Mr. Anderson announces that the BALA is a non-profit law firm. They provide free legal services to low-income families. Services in the following areas are offered: Housing, Domestic Violence, Public Benefits, Health Access and Consumer Rights.

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<u>Katie Melara of CCC Child Care Council</u>: Ms. Melara presents information about the child care council. The council was established in 1976. It is a nonprofit organization that is the only child care resource and referral agency serving all of CCC.

Their mission is to provide leadership to promote and advance quality care and early education. Innovative programs, free or low cost services and child development expertise to help parents work and children grow, learn and fulfill their potential. There is also an Inclusion Project, to help young children with varying abilities be successful in child care center, preschool programs and family care centers.

<u>Jessica Rodreiguez/Project Manager Richmond Promise:</u> Ms. Rodreiguez says that the program has college scholarship funding and college success programs, for Richmond residents. Students from Richmond and who attend a local school in the WCCUSD boundaries for high school qualify for the scholarship and can receive up to \$1,500 for (4) years to help pay for college. New scholarships are open for 2016.

<u>Harry Wiener – Sherry Stanley – David Alvarado/Candidates for WC Waste Water District:</u>
Residents are encouraged to vote for these candidates. They support a community benefits policy.

<u>Charles Cavness of African American Museum:</u> Mr. Cavenss a native or Richmond, CA. He and a group of other residents would like to create an African American Museum in Richmond.

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND /OR ACTION

Robert Avellor/Enigami Global Investments CCC: Mr. Avellor proposes the construction of two new homes, in the 300 block of Grove St. the plan is to divide a parcel into two lots. He is seeking approval from the NRMAC. For lack of a quorum this item will be presented at a future meeting.

# **OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS**

Robert Rogers – Deputy Director/Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert reports that the documentary premier of NR past, Present and future was a great success. Over \$1,400 was raised to be contributed to NHNR. The premier of Romeo Must Rise also raised a significant amount of money.

The NR Shoreline Festival was a great success; over 1,500 people were in attendance.

<u>Bishop Edwina Santiago/REACH Outreach Fellowship</u>: Bishop announces that the health van will be housed at Las Deltas once a month. REACH will start working with the Watershed Program.

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<u>Princess Robinson/Director Urban Tilth Farm:</u> Groundbreaking ceremony will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Rocelle Monk/Love Your Block:</u> The program will be accepting applications for mini grants. Workshops are scheduled to assist interested applicants in completing their applications.

#### **NOVEMBER 2016**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

<u>Carla White/Watershed Project: Ms. White is in partnership with NHNR/Carla Orozco.</u> They are participating in the ongoing-community based clean-up project. They will be focusing on cleaning up the areas at: Chesley Ave & Market Street and Verde & Giaramitta Streets.

<u>Cynthia Jordan/Northern CA Asthma Project:</u> Cynthia filling in for project director Mary Frazier. Announces that the Breath Mobile continues to serve children in NR. Mary and Cynthia had a table at the NR Shoreline Festival; they spoke to many visitors about the asthma program.

<u>Linetta Cooper/NR Resident:</u> Continues to have the loitering problems in the area where she lives, at the Las Deltas Housing. After numerous communications with the CCC Sheriff's Department, the issue is being curtailed, but not yet resolved.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Joseph Villarreal reports on Las Deltas Housing: Mr. Villarreal reports that six million dollars has been put into public housing in the last six years. They are currently working with HUD to close out the Las Deltas Projects; they have approval to change over to private housing. Section eight and project residents will be relocated. The selling process will begin a year from now. Funding from the sells, will be used to build other housing throughout the county. They are working with HUD and soliciting buyers.

Monish Sen/CCC Public Works Department: The AOB up-date for NR. Analysis was conducted on the possibility of the signal lights being installed in NR. A series of eight issues had to be met in order to qualify for the traffic signal. Unfortunately these issues were not met and the traffic signals have been denied.

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

<u>Hugues Pasquier-Glaazy Desserts Development Project:</u> Galazy Desserts is in the process of planning construction of the bakery/manufacturing plant at Parr and Richmond Parkway, with conditions that galaxy outreach to NRMAC and other groups to ensure maximum employment opportunities for NR residents. The board voted 5-0 to approve the project.

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<u>Matt Yerzovish/ExtellNet Systems-LL Cell Sites:</u> Representing once again to the NRMAC about installing additional equipment, to two already existing cell phone poles in the community.

The board voted 5-0 to disapprove of planned installation of cell technology on existing poles. The board urges installation outside of the residential area of the community.

Robert Avellar/regarding 345 Grove Avenue development: It is being proposed to development two single family homes at the above location. After presentation was made the board voted 5-0 to approve development of the project.

# **OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS**

<u>Don Gilmore, Director/CHDC:</u> CHDC did not get approval by the Trade and Cap. All is not lost; he will be meeting with the county tomorrow.

A workshop will be hosted Thursday by Transportation Funds Program. \$5,000 & low interest loans are being offered to obtain new low emission vehicles.

Robert Rogers/ Deputy Director, Supervisor John Gioia's Office: The showing of the documentary film: North Richmond Past Present and Future, at the Senior Citizen Center was a great success.

<u>Carla Orozco, Community Services Coordinator/Mitigation Fee-funded-NHNR:</u> Willie Spears clean-up day coming up on: November 19, 2016. Ninety pounds of litter and trash was collected from the corner of Market and Giaramita, to 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Market Street.

A timeline has been developed in partnership with the Watershed Project for organizing specific tasks to help guide the implementation of the Outreach Program for the 2016-17 fiscal year.

<u>Condolences to the family of Mr. Bartlett. May he rest in peace, he will be remembered and missed by all who knew and cherished him so dearly.</u>